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I am very displeased with the proposed DOJ settlement with Microsoft. In addition this week we learn that Microsoft has proposed providing software to low income schools as part of the settlement with the states.

Microsoft gets to provide the same software it used to violate antitrust legislation, as settlement for the violation - how ironic. Also, this settlement of software basically provides for additional injury to alternative operating systems - such as the Apple Mac OS. You will be taking market share away from Apple in education as a reward to Microsoft for its violation of antitrust laws.

The US DOJ needs to hold Microsoft actually responsible for its actions. They violated antitrust laws and continue to do so with Windows XP (now taking over music and video and eliminating JAVA support). Break the company up as was originally proposed. Microsoft has yet again proved its antitrust mentality and the proposed settlement is less than a slap on the wrist. Microsoft will actually gain in the education market.

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